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I am opposed to the proposed settlement in the Microsoft antitrust trial. Microsoft has been deemed a monopoly and should be treated as such. The proposed settlement will not make a significant difference to the monopolistic power Microsoft has on the industry.

Competition is good for consumers, because when consumers have a choice they can choose the best solution. Companies in competition must compete to survive. A market absent of competition will stagnate and is not conducive to innovation.

Significant changes need to be put in place to restore software competition in the personal software computer industry.

Sincerely,
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